M/s Indian Steel Wires & Products Ltd., Jamshedpur, petitioned the Delhi High Court that the quantity offered to them was too less and the railway should enahance the same since their rate was the lowest.

Subsequently the case was mutually settled and M/s 1SWP withdrew their petition from the High Court, Delhi.

Railway Board had given another chance to those tenderers who were not ISI/ESI approved at the time of opening of tender to get themselves approved by ISI/BSI within a stipulated period, if they were interested and then approach the Railway Board for placement of the orders. Five such firms had approached Railway Board subsequently after obtaining ISI/BSI certificates, for placement of the orders. Their requests were considered and orders for supply of HTS '«ire were placed on them also.

Thus, all the grievances of the tenderers who had participated in the subject tender have been redressed.

Allotment of Residential Flats to Government servants by DDA

115. SHRI O.P. KOHL!: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether many Government servants had registered themselves for allotment of residential flats with the DDA in 1979 while being in service;

(b) whether many of those registrants who are due to retire during 1996 and 1997 have not yet been allotted the flats;

(c) if so, whether there is any proposal to permit such government servants to retain the government accommodation on normal rental basis till the time flats are allotted to them; and

(d) if not, the reasons and the justifications therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) and (b) DDA has reported that many applicants, including Government employees, have registered themselves under its New Pattern Registration Scheme, 1979. All the registrants are treated on equal footing and no* separate record in respect of Government employees registered under the Scheme has been maintained by DDA.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) There is acute shortage of general pool accommodation for eligible and serving Government employees. Retention of accommodation by retired Government employees for indefinitely long period will further aggravate the position.

विदेशों में अध्ययन कर रहे भारतीय छात्र

116. श्री जगन्नाथ सिंह: क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) विश्व के किन-किन देशों में भारतीय छात्र अध्ययन कर रहे हैं और इसका ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) उनमें से अनुसूचित जाति तथा अनुसूचित जनजाति संवर्गों के छात्रों की देश-वार संख्या कितनी है; और

(ग) विदेशों में छात्रों को अध्ययन हेतु भेजने के लिए सरकार द्वारा कौन-से मापदंड अपनाये गये हैं और उसका विस्तृत ब्यौरा क्या है?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय में शिक्षा विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मुही राम सैकिया): (क) और (ख) अधिकतर सभी छात्र विदेशों में अध्ययन के लिए स्वयं जाते हैं। ये विदेशों में प्रवेश के लिए शैक्षिक संस्थानों से तथा वीजा के लिए सम्बंधित विदेशी मिशनों से सीधे ही संपर्क करते हैं। अत: विदेशों में अध्ययन कर रहे भारतीय छात्रों की सही सूचना उपलब्ध नहीं है।

(ग) कुछ देश अपने ही शैक्षिक संस्थानों में पढ़ रहे भारतीय छात्रों को छात्रवृत्तियां प्रदान करते हैं। मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय (शिक्षा विभाग) इनके चयन से सम्बद्ध है। वर्ष 1995-96 के दौरान 110 छात्र 11 देशों में अध्ययन के लिए गए।

कोयले का उत्पादन

117. श्री इकबाल सिंह: क्या कोयला मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) देश में कोयला खानों का ब्यौरा क्या है;